

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Hough et al. Attorney Docket No: MICR0252
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AMENDMENT & REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Bellevue, Washington 98004

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TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE:

In response to the Office Action dated January 24, 2006, applicants request that the above-identified application be amended as set forth below and that the Examiner reconsider the application in view of these amendments and the Remarks that follow. The claims are amended as set forth below.